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Education:

Ph.D. in Economics, Washington University, 1995
M.A. in Economics, Washington University, 1992
B.A. in Economics with Honors, minor in Mathematics, University of Missouri-Columbia, 1991

Employment:

2007-present Affiliated Member of the Pardee RAND Graduate School Faculty
2007-present Robert J. Lowe '62 Endowed Professor of Economics and George R. Roberts
Fellow
2007-present Associate Director for Research, RAND Institute for Civil Justice, RAND
Corporation, Santa Monica, CA
2006-present Professor, Department of Economics, Claremont McKenna College
2004-present Senior Economist, Institute for Civil Justice, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica,
CA
2003-2004 Senior Staff Economist, President's Council of Economic Advisers, Civil
Litigation, Regulation, Corporate Governance and
Telecommunication/Technology
2002-2003 John M. Olin Visiting Associate Professor of Economics, George Stigler Center
for the Study of the Economy and the State, Graduate School of Business,
University of Chicago
2001-2006 Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Claremont McKenna College
1999-present Faculty, Claremont Graduate University.
1998-2001 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Claremont McKenna College
1995-1998 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Ball State University.
1995 Instructor, University of Missouri, St. Louis.
1993-1994 Instructor, Washington University, University College, St. Louis, Missouri.
1992-1993 Health Policy Analyst, Department of Industry and Government Affairs,
Anheuser-Busch Companies, St. Louis, Missouri.

Other Positions

Associate Editor, *Journal of Regulatory Economics*, 2004-present.

Publications:

"The Impact of Liability on the Physician Labor Market," with Mark Showalter, forthcoming
Journal of Law and Economics.

"The optimal jury size when jury deliberation follows a random walk," with Yaron Raviv, *Public
Choice*. 134 (3-4): 255-262, 2008.

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"The Tradeoffs between Regulation and Class Actions: Evidence from Insurance Litigation," with Jon Klick, *Journal of Tort Law*, 1(3): Article 2, 2008

"Does Three Strikes Deter? A Non-Parametric Estimation," with Alex Tabarrok, *Journal of Human Resources*, 22: 309-330, 2007.

"Court Congestion as an Explanation for Rising Attorney Fees," with Jonathan Klick, *Journal of Legal Studies*. 36(1):1-17, 2007.

"Is Corporate Philanthropy an Agency Cost?" with Janet Smith and Bill Brown, *Journal of Corporate Finance*. 12: 855-877, 2006.

"Reputational Penalties and the Merits of Class Action Securities Litigation," *Journal of Law and Economics*. 49(2):365-395, 2006.

"Data Watch: Tort-uring the Data," with Jonathan Klick and Alex Tabarrok, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*. 19(2):207-220, 2005

"Who's Monitoring the Monitor? Do Outside Directors Protect Shareholders' Interests?" with Mike Sykuta, *The Financial Review*. 40(2), 2005

"The Location of Women's Prisons and the Deterrence Effect of "Harder" Time," with Kelly Bedard, *International Review of Law and Economics*. 24(2): 147-67, 2004

"Using Placebo Laws to Test "More Guns, Less Crime": A Note," with Alex Tabarrok, *Advances in Economic Analysis & Policy: The Berkeley Electronic Press Journals*. 4(1), 2004

"Regulation and the Evolution of Corporate Boards: Monitoring, Advising or Window Dressing?" with Mike Sykuta, *Journal of Law and Economics*. 47(1):167-193, 2004

"The Fugitive: Evidence on Public versus Private Law Enforcement from Bail Jumping," with Alex Tabarrok, *Journal of Law and Economics*. 47(1):93-122, 2004

"Pollution Incidence and Political Jurisdiction: Evidence from the TRI," with Andy Whitford, *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*. 46(3):403-424, 2003.

Reprinted in *Spatial Aspects of Environmental Policy*, Jacqueline Geoghegan and Wayne Gray, editors, Tom Tietenberg and Kathy Segerson, series editors.

"Contingency Fees, Settlement Delay and Low-Quality Litigation: Empirical Evidence from Two Datasets," with Alex Tabarrok, *Journal of Law, Economics and Organization*. 19(2):517-542, 2003

"Pollution Abatement as a Barrier to Entry," with Mayumi Matsuno '01, *Journal of Regulatory Economics*. 24(2): 243-259, 2003

"Race, Poverty and American Tort Awards," with Alex Tabarrok, *Journal of Legal Studies*. 32(1):27-58, 2003

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"The Effect of Electoral Institutions on Tort Awards," with Alexander Tabarrok, *American Law and Economics Review*. 4(2):341-370, 2002

Working paper: The Berkeley Law & Economics Working Papers: Vol. 2001: No. 2,
Article 7. <http://www.bepress.com/blewp/default/vol2001/iss2/art7>

"Zoning and Location Rents: An Empirical Analysis of Harris County Texas," with Jeremy Groves, *Land Economics* 78(1): 28-44, 2002.

"Prosecutorial Discretion at the EPA: Some Evidence on Litigation Strategy," *Journal of Regulatory Economics*, 19(3):271-294, 2001.

"Runaway Judges? Selection Effects and the Jury," with Alex Tabarrok, *Journal of Law, Economics and Organization*, 16(2):306-333, 2000.

Reprinted in *The Economic Analysis of Constitutional Protections of Individual Rights*,
Hugo M. Mialon and Paul H. Rubin, editors.

"The Waiver Pork Barrel: Committee Membership and the Approval Time of Medicaid Waivers,"
Contemporary Economic Policy. 17(3):401-411, 1999.

"Court Politics: The Political Economy of Tort Awards," with Alex Tabarrok, *Journal of Law and Economics*. 42:157-188, 1999.

"The Revealed Preferences of a State EPA: Stringency, Enforcement, and Substitution," *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*. 35:242-261, 1998.

Reprinted in *The Economics of Environmental Monitoring and Enforcement*, Clifford S.
Russell, editor. Ashgate Publishing, November 2001.

"Environmental Protection in the Federalist System: The Political Economy of NPDES
Inspections," *Economic Inquiry*. 36(2):305-19, 1998.

"The Enforcement of Pollution Control Laws: Inspections, Violations, and Self-Reporting,"
Review of Economics and Statistics. 80(1):141-53, 1998.

Invited Book Reviews:

"Are Predatory Commitments Credible? Who Should the Courts Believe?" by John Lott, Jr. *The Independent Review: A Journal of Political Economy* 5(3):449-452, 2001.

Non-peer review publications:

"Exporting Torts Awards," with Alex Tabarrok. *Regulation*, 23(2): 21-26, 2000.

Helping Hand: How Private Philanthropy and Catholic Schools Serve Low-Income Children in Los Angeles, with Tom Dawson. Pacific Research Institute for Public Policy, San Francisco, 2001.

"The Tort System," Chapter 11 of the *Economic Report of the President 2004*.

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“Two Cheers for Contingent Fees?” with Alex Tabarrok, the AEI Press, American Enterprise Institute, 2005.

Judging the Tort System, Independent Institute, with Alex Tabarrok

RAND Reports:

Secrecy, Settlements and Medical Malpractice Litigation, with Gia Lee, forthcoming in *Transparency in Civil Justice*, Robert Reville and Joe Doherty, editors.

Working Papers:

“Product Liability and Moral Hazard: Evidence from General Aviation,” with Alex Tabarrok.

“No-Fault Insurance and Automobile Accidents,” with Paul Heaton.

“Bargaining in the Shadow of the Website: Disclosure’s Impact on Litigation Behavior,” with Gia Lee.

“Research Joint Ventures, Collusion, and Leniency Policy,” with Michelle Goeree.

“The Impact of Attorney Compensation on the Timing of Settlements,” with Jon Klick.

“Crash and Learn: Consumption Externalities and the Reduction of Aircraft Accidents” with Alex Tabarrok.

“Malpractice Premium Savings from Reduced Malpractice Liability,” with Seth Seabury, Dana Goldman and Amitabh Chandra.

“The Impact of the Securities Litigation on the Director Labor Market.”

“Measuring Criminal Spillovers: Evidence from Sentencing Enhancements,” with Alex Tabarrok, under review *Economic Inquiry*.

“Does Treatment Respond to Reimbursement Rates? Evidence from Trauma Care” with Paul Heaton.

“The Tradeoff Between Insurance Regulation and Class Action Litigation”

Work in Progress:

“A Mechanism Design Approach to Insuring the Uninsurable,” with Jon Klick

“Does Tort Law Deter Accidents: Evidence from General Aviation,” with Alex Tabarrok.

“Inference Problems in Events Studies: Applications to Securities Litigation” with Jonah Gelbach and Jonathan Klick

“Who Gets Stopped at the Gate: An Empirical Examination of the Effect of Daubert on Expert Witnesses,” with Jon Klick

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“The Value of Tort Suit Preemption in the Pharmaceutical Industry,” with Jon Klick and Catherine Sharkey.

Academic Awards:

Robert H. Durr award for best paper applying methods to a substantive problem in politics. Midwest Political Science Association, 1997.

Teaching Awards:

Dean's Teaching Award, College of Business, Ball State University, 1996, 1997, 1998.

Funded Grants and Reports:

“Does Tort Law Deter Accidents: Evidence from General Aviation,” with Alex Tabarrok, National Research Initiative. 2004-2005

"The Deterrence Value of Shareholder Class Action Litigation," Smith Richardson Foundation, 2004-2005

"Estimating the Settlement Process in Environmental Litigation: A Game-theoretic Approach." National Science Foundation SES-0214195, 2002-2003

“Does Shareholder Litigation Lower Management Quality?” Donner Foundation, 2001-2002.

Freedom Project, John Templeton Foundation, 2001-2002.

Maguire Research Fellowship, Claremont Graduate School, 2000.

Evaluation of the Education Foundation Scholarship program in the Los Angeles Archdiocesan school system. Pacific Research Institute, 1999-2000.

Faculty Research Grant Claremont McKenna College, 1999, 2000, 2001.

Recipient of the George A. and Frances Ball Foundation research fellowship, with Alex Tabarrok, 1997.

Fellowships:

Lowe Fellow, Lowe Institute of Political Economy, 2007-present

Roberts Fellow, Claremont McKenna College 2007-present

John M. Olin Fellowship, Stigler Center for the Study of the Economy and the State, University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, 2002-2003

Center for the Study of Political Economy Dissertation Fellowship Washington University, 1994-1995.

University Fellowship Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 1991-92.

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University Scholar University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, 1987-90.

Invited Presentations at Universities and Institutes

UCLA Law (10/08, 12/08)
USC Economics (9/08)
Emory Law School (2/08)
RAND (11/07)
Loyola Marymount University (10/7)
Florida State University, Law (2/07)
University of California Riverside, Economics (12/06)
George Mason University School of Law (10/06)
Indiana University, Public Policy (10/06)
Northwestern University, Law (10/06)
George Mason University, Economics (2/06)
Cornell University, PAM (2/06)
Florida State, Law (2/05)
BYU, Economics (11/04)
George Washington University, Economics (4/04)
University of Kansas, Business (1/05, 3/04)
University of Missouri, CORI (3/04)
American Enterprise Institute, Liability Project (3/04)
George Mason University, Law (10/06, 3/04)
University of Alberta, Business (10/03)
George Mason University, Economics (10/03)
University of Chicago, Harris School (1/03, 11/02)
University of Chicago, GSB (11/02)
Northwestern University, Economics (10/02)
University of California, Berkeley (4/02)
Center for the Study of American Business, Washington University (3/02)
University of Redlands, Economics (11/01)
University of California Irvine, Economics (5/01)
Hudson Institute-Indianapolis Law and Economics Group (2/98)
Claremont McKenna College, Economics (2/98)
Hudson Institute-Indianapolis Law and Economics Group (12/97)
Washington University, Center for the Study of American Business (2/97)
Ball State University, Economics (2/95).

Academic Presentations at Conferences and Professional Meetings

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (9/08)
Fragmentation of Our Healthcare System-Conference, Harvard Law School (6/08)
4th Annual Workshop on Crime and Population Dynamics (6/08)
American Law and Economics Association (5/08)
RAND/FEI Conference on Securities Litigation (2/08)
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (10/07)
American Law and Economics Association (5/07)
Columbia University, Law (9/06)
American Law and Economics Association (5/06)
Current Research on Medical Malpractice Liability (5/06)
Allied Social Science Association Meetings (1/06)
FMA (10/05)

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RAND ICJ & JELS Conference on Empirical Medical Malpractice Research (3/06)
American Law and Economics Association (5/05)
NBER (5/04)
Allied Social Science Association Meetings (1/05)
American Enterprise Institute Conference on Medical Malpractice Reform (9/03)
The Ronald Coase Institute Conference on Transaction Costs (2/03)
Allied Social Science Association Meetings (1/02)
International Society for New Institutional Economics (9/01)
Western Economics Association annual meetings (7/01)
Advanced Workshop in Regulation and Competition: Network Industries in Transition (6/01)
American Law and Economics Association (5/01)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (3/01)
Liberty Fund: Common Law, Merchant Law, and Democratic Legislation (2/01)
Allied Social Science Association Meetings (1/01)
Association of Policy Analysis and Management (11/00)
International Society for New Institutional Economics (9/00)
Advanced Workshop in Regulation and Competition: Network Industries in Transition (7/00)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (3/00)
Allied Social Science Association Meetings (1/00)
Political Economy of Contractual Obligations: The Case of Bankruptcy Law, (4/99)
Personnel Economics Workshop-Sanford University (7/99)
Western Economics Association annual meetings (7/99)
American Law and Economics Association (5/99)
Advanced Workshop in Regulation and Competition: Network Industries in Transition (5/98)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (3/98)
Allied Social Science Association Meetings (1/98)
Advanced Workshop in Regulation and Competition: Network Industries in Transition (5/97)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (3/97)
Cleometric Society (1/97)
Midwest Political Science Association (4/96-2 papers)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (4/96)
Midwest Political Science Association (4/95)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (3/95)
Midwest Political Science Association (4/94)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (3/94)
Midwest Economics Association (4/93)
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (3/93)
Missouri Valley Economics Association (4/93).

Invited Talks to Undergraduates

Claremont McKenna College Athenaeum (10/05)
Cornell University, (2/06)
BYU (11/04)
Pomona College (9/04)
CMC Washington Program (3/04)

Public Policy Presentations

RAND ICJ, Washington DC (10/08)
LRN RAND Center, New York (5/08)
RAND ICJ/UCLA Conference on Transparency in Civil Justice System (10/7)

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LRN RAND Center, New York (5/07)

Munich Re America 2007 Executive Client Conference (3/07)

Northwestern Searle Center Conference on Litigation and Tort Reform (3/07)

RAND ICJ, Santa Monica (3/07)

AEI-Brookings Judicial Education Program, Washington DC (12/06)

LRN RAND Center, Washington DC (11/06)

7th Annual Legal Reform Summit, United States Chamber of Commerce, Washington DC (10/06)

RAND ICJ, Washington DC (10/06)

Future of Technology leadership conference UC Irvine (9/04)

RAND ICJ, Santa Monica (10/04)

The Real Estate Roundtable, Washington DC (5/04)

Bureau of Justice Statistics: Civil Justice Roundtable Discussion, Washington DC (4/04)

Professional Associations:

American Economic Association, ISNIE, Society for Empirical Legal Studies, and the American Law and Economics Association.

Professional Service:

Referee for: *American Law and Economics Review*, *American Political Science Review*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Environmental and Resource Economics*, *The Financial Review*, *Health Economics*, the Independent Institute, *International Review of Law and Economics*, *Journal of Economics and Management Strategy*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, *Journal of Law and Economics*, *Journal of Law, Economics and Organizations*, *Journal of Legal Studies*, *Journal of Regulatory Economics*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Journal of Political Economy*, National Science Foundation, and the *Southern Economic Journal*.

Research Fellow, Contracting and Organizations Research Initiative, University of Missouri-Columbia, 2001-present.

Organizational committee, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies 2007, RAND/FEI Conference on Securities Litigation. 2008, American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, 2009